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RUMANIA'S BEAUTIFUL QUEEN ARRIVES IN LONDON TO-DAY



Her Majesty wearing Rumanian national dress.



During the war she was a devoted nurse.

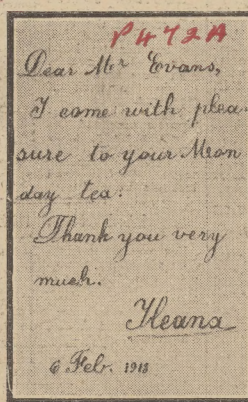


The latest photograph specially autographed by her Majesty for *The Daily Mirror*. Princess Ileana is with her.



With her three daughters and Prince Nicholas, taken when the British mission visited Rumania.

The Queen of Rumania, who will be accompanied by her three daughters, the Princesses Elizabeth, Marie and Ileana, will arrive in London from Paris to-day. Prince Nicholas, her son, who is seen in one of the above photographs wearing boy scouts uniform, is now



Princess Ileana—



—Is quite English.

in this country for the purposes of study, and one of the reasons for her visit is to see her boy. She will also revive old memories and rest for a brief period after her arduous work during the war.—(*Daily Mirror* exclusive photographs.)

RENT LIMIT TO BE NOW £70.

Government Concession in Debate on Bill.

M.P.'s TROUSERS STORY.

An important concession in the Rent Bill was made after a considerable debate by the Government in the Commons last night, and embodied in the Bill.

As the result of this the rent limit to which the Bill applied in London has been raised from £55 to £70, while for the provinces it will be £52 and for Scotland £60.

Mr. Munro, in suggesting the compromise, said he knew of widow householders reduced to penury during the war, and the figure should not be put too high.

An amendment by Major Newman making the standard rent the rent on last Christmas day instead of the rent last Tuesday, was accepted by Mr. Munro.

Dr. Fisher, in reply to complaints about retrospective legislation, said the Government found there had latterly been many cases in which the tenant was told he must either pay more or purchase, and they proposed to take this line to protect the tenant.

'WHY HOUSES ARE IN ROWS'

Mr. Jack Jones' Breezy Speech in the Rent Debate.

An interesting maiden speech was made by Mr. Jack Jones, the Socialist M.P. for Silverton, and a well-known figure at Tower Hill meetings.

"In my district," said the burly member, "seventy per cent. of the houses are such that the landlords should be sent to penal servitude for charging rent for one."

In the majority of working-class districts in the East End it was absolutely unfair to impose any increase of rent, particularly having regard to the fact that during the war rents had been regularly paid and no repairs done.

"A good many houses," he declared, "are built in rows, because they would not stand up if they were alone."

"I live in a house where I have to open the window in the morning before I can put on my trousers," he said, in illustration of the smallness of many rooms.

He pleaded for the unemployed worker that he might have an opportunity of buying nourishment instead of paying extra rent.

The increase.—The Attorney-General said the Government intended to ensure the increase did not go to the landlords whose houses were not certified fit for human habitation. The increase

BOLSHEVIST HORRORS.

On page 14 will be found an account of photographs *The Daily Mirror* has seen of Bolshevik atrocities, but which are too appalling to be published.

of rent for repairs, they were agreed, should not be granted to landlords who shirked the repairs.

The amendment to reduce the 10 per cent. increase to 5 per cent. was defeated by 302 to 63.

The Government have inserted a proviso that the increase cannot be obtained for a house not fit for habitation or not in a state of decent repair.

Time Limit Extended.—An amendment by Major Newman, supported by Mr. Kennedy Jones, to extend the scope of the measure from one to two years after termination of the war, was met by the Attorney-General, on behalf of the Government, agreeing to extend its operation to Michaelmas, 1922.

Mr. Adamson suggested 1924, but this was refused.

Mr. Gordon Hewart, however, undertook that whatever the date inserted in the Bill, the Government would consider its extension before the period expired, and if the amendment was withdrawn he was ready to substitute Lady Day, 1921, for Michaelmas, 1922.

5,000 Letters.—I have received 5,000 letters of complaint from tenants to whom the Bill did not apply.—Mr. Clem Edwards.

LETTERS FROM FIANCEES.

Liverpool Lord Mayor's Queries About Demobilised Soldiers.

That he had received a flood of letters recently from prospective brides in France and Belgium asking him to investigate the antecedents and character of a number of demobilised Liverpool soldiers who had proffered their marriage and invited them to cross to Liverpool and settle down there was stated by the Lord Mayor of Liverpool yesterday.

He whimsically observed that that was an unlooked-for expansion in the duties of the chief magistrate and opened up a vista of a town hall being turned into matrimonial offices.

DEATH OF IRISH PEER.

The death is announced of Robert Thomas, eighth Viscount Ashbrook, at his daughter's residence at Durrow, Queen's County, in his eighty-third year.

RUMANIA'S QUEEN.

Arrival in London To-day of the King's Beautiful Cousin.

A FORTNIGHT'S STAY.

The Queen of Rumania, accompanied by two daughters, and attended by a numerous suite, will arrive in London to-day on a purely private informal visit to the King and Queen.

It is expected that her Majesty and the Princesses will remain in London for at least a fortnight, and possibly may extend their stay to three weeks.

The King has appointed Captain Sir Charles Cust, Bart., R.N., to be an attached member of the Queen of Rumania's staff, and Sir Charles will receive the royal visitors at Folkestone, and conduct them to London.

They will travel to town by a train due to reach Charing Cross at 3.30 in the evening, and the King and Queen (possibly with other members of the Royal Family) will be at the station to welcome them.

TO-DAY'S COAL NUGGET.

Sir Richard Redmayne, at the Coal Commission yesterday, mentioned the case of a mine area which could not be exploited at one point because on it stood a house in which Charles I. once slept, and the object of the place being pulled down.

Witness said that he did not suppose that the State would care whether Charles I. slept in a house or not. See page 3.

welcome them, and will drive with them to Buckingham Palace.

Queen Marie of Rumania has been described as Europe's loveliest Queen.

It is her first visit to England since the beginning of the great war, and her heroic conduct as hospital nurse at the front when she scorned to take shelter from the bombs of foe aeroplanes, is still fresh in the public memory.

Queen Marie is one of the four daughters of the late Duke of Edinburgh.

She was born in October, 1875, at Eastwell Park, Ashford, her mother being the Grand Duchess Marie Alexandrovna, only daughter of Tsar Alexander II.

She married Prince Ferdinand of Rumania when only seventeen, and is the mother of five children.

See pictures, page 1, and special article on page 5.

FIRST WAR FACTORY SOLD.

Fast Motor-Cars and Omnibuses To Be Built at Edmonton.

The National Aircraft Engine Factory at Edmonton has been purchased by Messrs. Straker, Squire, Limited, automobile manufacturers, for £140,000. These works cost the country £135,000.

This is the first of our national war factories to be sold over to private enterprise, and the conditions and circumstances of the sale are of great public interest, as they show a profit to the taxpayer of £7,000.

The entire factory is to be reorganised and devoted to the building of motor-cars for pleasure and commercial use, and also motor-omnibuses, and it is anticipated that 5,000 persons will be kept continuously employed.

FURNITURE MAKER, M.P.

Captain O'Grady's Recollection of 18s. for Making Nine Articles.

Captain James O'Grady, M.P., yesterday recalled the time when he earned 18s. for making by hand nine articles of a suite. Men were then made to do the work of machines.

The modern employer appreciated that high wages, short hours, and good conditions had an economic value. Strikes and lockouts were stupid.



Captain O'Grady.

BARRISTER'S DELUSIONS.

For assaulting Allan Lewis Brooks, a Canadian officer, by presenting a loaded automatic pistol at him at the Stoll Picture House, Altonam, Ontario, Elmore, barrister, was at the Old Bailey yesterday sentenced to six months' imprisonment in the first division. A doctor said Elmore suffered from delusions, and was dangerous.

NAVY'S BOXING CHAMPION.

Commander the Hon. J. M. Kenworthy, R.N., elder son of Lord Strabolgi, who is thirty-three years of age and heavy-weight boxing champion of the Navy, has been adopted by the Hull Central Liberal Association as candidate.

30,000 Canadian troops will sail for home before the end of March.

NEW LIQUOR ORDER.

Extra Half-Hour in Evening—Club and Hotel Provision.

SPIRIT RESTRICTION GOES.

A new order issued by the Liquor Control Board yesterday provides that in all areas the new licensing hours shall be from 8 to 9.30 p.m. (instead of 6.30 to 9.30 p.m., as at present).

The new order comes into force on Monday. For off-sales the week-day evening period will be from 6 to 8.30 p.m.

The new order which prevents orders for spirits for "off" consumption from being given personally on licensed premises except during the midday hours is withdrawn.

Spirits are thus put, as regards the time when orders can be given for them, on the same footing as other intoxicating liquor.

Article 4 of the new order enables a resident of a club or hotel to obtain drink with his evening meal up to 11 p.m., whether on week-days or on Sundays.

This provision will remedy the inconveniences felt by residents who, because of a late arrival owing to travelling, or from any other cause, are unable to secure drink for consumption with their evening meal before the ordinary evening closing hour (9 or 9.30 p.m.).

Under the orders hitherto in force intoxicating liquor could only be despatched during the midday and evening periods allowed for "off" sales. This restriction, subject to a limitation to 8.30 p.m., is now removed.

All restrictions are removed as to the hours of supply of liquor from licensed premises in any horse-drawn or motor van, lorry or similar vehicle.

THE ROAD MAN.

Expert Who Will Advise Local Authorities on Ways.

The services of Brigadier-General Maybury, the engineer and secretary of the Road Board, will, subject to Road Board Treasury approval, be available to assist local authorities to carry out the programme of road and bridge work approved by the War Cabinet.

Such was the announcement made by Mr. Baldwin in the House of Commons.

General Maybury.

WIVES OF WAR MISSING.

Problem of Those Who Would Remarry but Fear Bigamy Charge.

A woman reader of *The Daily Mirror* wants to know whether she is married or not. Here is her difficulty, and she is only one of many who are in the same fix.

Her husband joined up; after a big offensive he was posted "missing." She has made every possible inquiry through the War Office, the colonel of his regiment, and his comrades, and has had his portrait published in *The Daily Mirror*, but has had no word of him.

Meanwhile a man has come on the scene who loves her very much, and to whom she is deeply attached; he wants to marry her, but she dare not.

The legal advice she has received is that she should wait seven years, but that she may marry before this period if she has reasonable and probable grounds for presuming her husband's death.

The law, however, does not define "reasonable and probable grounds."

That is her quandary, and she asks for advice as to what to do.

GUARDS' VICTORY MARCH.

Invitation to "Demobbed" Men to Take Part.

The Household Cavalry and Battalion of the Brigade of Guards will make a triumphal march through London on March 22.

All demobilised soldiers who wish to take part are invited to do so.

In the case of Household Cavalry those wishing to participate should apply to the Officer Commanding Regiment, 1st Life Guards, Knightsbridge Barracks; 2nd Life Guards, Combermere Barracks, Windsor; or Royal Horse Guards, Albany Barracks, Regent's Park. In the case of regiments of the Brigade of Guards, to Regimental Adjutant, Guards, Buckingham Palace, S.W.1. The application should state the battalion to which the writer belonged, and, if available, a free warrant will be sent.

LORD OF MANOR'S TRAGIC DEATH.

The death occurred under tragic circumstances yesterday of Mr. W. D. Grant-Ives, Lord of the Manor of Bradbury.

Some months ago Mr. Grant-Ives, who was seventy years of age, had a motor-car accident, and since then his health had failed. On Monday he got through the bedroom window of his house at Towersey and dropped from a lower building from which he fell to the ground.

MORE AND CHEAPER FISH SUPPLIES.

No Profiteering at the Leading Ports.

REASONABLE PRICES.

The Food Controller expresses his appreciation of the action of the various trade organisations at the leading fishing ports, whereby the members of those organisations have decided not to sell their fish at any time at prices in excess of those specified in the schedule to the Fish (Prices) Order.

The quantities of fish landed at the various ports continue to compare favourably with recent average landings, and in many cases are in excess of such figures.

The increasing supplies will warrant appropriate reductions in prices, and the Food Controller will expect traders at the ports to reduce their prices in accordance with the supplies available.

Retail merchants, in most cases, are showing a proper regard to prices chargeable to the consumer.

During the past week wholesale prices have rapidly adjusted themselves, and are generally ruling at or below recent control. Reasonable retail cash prices for good average quality of the most popular forms of fish at present are as follow:—

	s. d.		s. d.
Cod	per lb. 1 0	Skate	per lb. 1 2
Co. Cuts	per lb. 1 2	State (Cut)	per lb. 1 4
Haddock	per lb. 1 2	Plaice	per lb. 1 5
Smoked Haddock	per lb. 1 7	Whiting	per lb. 1 0
Herrings continue to be very plentiful and cheap.			

Cheese will be plentiful before the end of this year, but no further reduction of price is to be anticipated for some time. Control will probably be lifted in the spring.

A London dealer yesterday predicted cheese at 10½d. per lb. before the end of the year.

"The spring programme," said an official of the Ministry to *The Daily Mirror*, "has been deranged by shipyard strikes. Consequently, May supplies will not be as large as we anticipated. But there will be an adequate supply later."

THE STRAND FRACAS.

Another Bow-street Adjudgment.—U.S. Official Inquiry.

Frank McNally, who claims to be an American citizen awaiting repatriation after serving in the British Army, was yesterday again remanded at Bow-street on a charge of obstructing the police during the riot in the Strand on Sunday.

McNally was now legally represented, and his solicitor said accused took no part in the disturbance, and asked that he should be given the benefit of the doubt.

The case was adjourned till to-morrow, the magistrate remarking that he thought the police should also be legally represented.

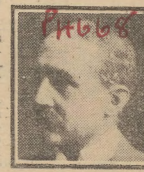
The inquiry instituted into the disturbance by the American naval and military authorities is still proceeding.

ISLE OF MAN GOVERNOR.

Major-General W. Fry as Successor to Lord Raglan.

General Wm. Fry has been appointed Governor of the Isle of Man. Born sixty-one years ago, General Fry entered the Army in 1878, and was promoted captain eight years later.

He served with distinction on the Indian frontier in the last Afghan war. He also served prominently in the Boer war and during the present "great" war.



General Fry.

DEMANDS OF THE POLICE.

A request to receive a deputation had been received by the Home Secretary from the Police Union, said the Earl of Jersey in the House of Lords yesterday.

The interview will take place to-day. The statement issued last night the union states that the "impasse was created through the autocratic attitude adopted by the Commissioner."

The Home Secretary upheld the Commissioner's action, and then published a scheme of representation which the authorities were well aware would be strongly opposed by the force.

EGYPTIAN PREMIER RESIGNS.

The Premier, Hussein Rushdi Pasha, has tendered his resignation, which has been accepted, and a new Cabinet is in process of formation, says Reuter.

BIG FIVE TOLD OF GERMAN PLOT AGAINST NEW STATE

LEIPZIG BOMBED BY THE GERMANS.

How Noske Captured the Saxon City.

RUSSIAN BLOW FEARED.

Latest news from Germany shows that the Government troops are obtaining the upper hand.

Berlin.—Spartacists are being bundled out without heavy fighting. Over 150 were victims of the Spartacist massacre. Fighting will probably continue for a few days yet.

Leipzig.—Strike ended. Spartacists driven from the city. Noske, Minister of War, carried out a three-sided attack and entrenchments were bombed from the air.

Russian Surprise?—The Exchange from Copenhagen, quoting the *Berlingske Tidende*, says that a large number of the German population ask when will the moment come when the Russian Bolsheviks will surprise the world with a great attack on the German east front.

Undoubtedly the signal to the final strife will be given from the east, therefore there is still the greatest nervousness among the German people, as it is feared that even the hard hand of Noske is now insufficient.

Cuxhaven.—A coup d'état which had been planned by the marine garrison was prevented by the arrest of the leaders.

According to the revolutionary programme in Germany, says an Exchange Zurich message, the Soviet Republic was to have been proclaimed in Berlin on Saturday. The central rallying place was to have been the Alexanderplatz.

A Reuter Copenhagen message states that the Spartacists have recently been employing aeroplanes to attack peaceful citizens of Berlin, and civilians have been killed and wounded.

OLD WHITE FLAG TRICK.

Spartacist Butchery After Disarming a Garrison.

According to the police president of Lichtenberg, Baron von Salmtuth, who escaped the massacre at the police station by giving a large sum of money to the Spartacists, over 150 people fell victims to the massacre.

"The Spartacist band first attacked the post office in the Margarethenstrasse," says Salmtuth, according to Reuter. "Here there was a garrison of one officer and fifty-four men. The building was bombarded by the Spartacists with trench mortars, and machine guns were used."

"After the fighting had lasted three hours the Spartacists sent a messenger to the garrison troops after hoisting the white flag, whereon the Spartacists entered the building and disarmed the garrison."

"The postal officials were allowed to depart, but the members of the garrison were shot in the yard of a neighbouring school."

"The Spartacists then captured the police prefecture in the Alfredstrasse and shot all the officials there whether in uniform or not,"—Reuter.

Dusseldorf Trouble.—The position in Dusseldorf has again become serious. The Communists are trying to excite the people against the Government and the Government troops are there, and General von Roeder proclaimed a state of siege. On Sunday there was a conflict in the streets and shots, fired through there were not many casualties.—Reuter's Special.

MORE SUGAR AS CURE FOR INFLUENZA?

Doctor on Blood Corpuscles That Are Starving.

"Liberate the thousands of tons of good sugar, encourage the refining industry, do not hold it up for manufacturers of jam and sweetmeats only, but give it to the people ad lib, and in two months I predict influenza and all its disastrous complications will be a thing of the past."

So writes Dr. Robertson Dobie, M.D., F.R.C.S., D.P.H., of Perthshire. "I am convinced," he says, "that the phagocytes, or white blood corpuscles—our natural safeguard against disease and infection—are not only starving, but dying, for want of that essential caloric—sugar."

"It is the one and only element of our food that keeps the blood and circulatory system in good tune for the part it has to play."

"On my list of patients I have very few, if any, of the employees in our local jam factory. They live in a sugary atmosphere all day."

The Orange Cure.—To ward off flu all forms of flesh food should be avoided and fruit and oil used freely. If attacked by the disease, at once add the orange cure—which meant an unlimited diet of nothing but oranges, lemons, tangerines, olive oil and distilled water.—Dr. Josiah Oldfield, the fruitarian.

Czecho Slovak Delegate's Serious Allegations To Be Investigated by the Allies.

PEACE DRAFT TO BE READY BY TO-MORROW

The Czecho-Slovak delegate told the "Big Five" yesterday of a German-Hungarian plot against the new State.

Mr. Lloyd George's proposals to render the disarmament provisions more complete have been approved by the Conference. They are:—

- MILITARY.**—An Army of only 100,000 men, voluntarily recruited, and only sufficient war material for that number to be allowed.
- No tanks to be included in Hun armament.
- No gun over 6in. calibre to be built.
- No more poison gas to be manufactured.
- All existing war material to be surrendered or destroyed.
- War training schools to be abolished.

NAVAL.—Germany to cease to possess a war fleet, and only 15,000 sailors to be retained for State needs.

AERIAL.—Only a few machines to be allowed.

The rough draft of the Peace Treaty will be ready to-morrow, and the Hun delegates should be at Versailles between March 23 and 25, says Reuter's Special correspondent.

DOCUMENTS FOUND ON GERMAN COURIER.

Plan for a Blow from Three Sides.

PARIS, Wednesday.

The Council of the Great Powers to-day heard a statement presented by Dr. Benes, the Czecho-Slovak delegate, on the widespread conspiracy alleged to exist against the new State from the three sides of Germany, German-Austria and Hungary.

According to documents found on a German courier arrested at Prague an extensive plot is being fomented for the purpose of exciting a revolution and furnishing arms and ammunition to those seeking to overturn the new Government.

The Council regarded these representations as serious and are taking measures to investigate and give adequate security.

The Council also considered the serious internal condition of Poland and will continue their discussions on this subject to-morrow.

MUST GIVE UP SHIPS.

But Germany Will Have a Speedy Supply of Foodstuffs.

PARIS, Tuesday.

An Allied Commission leaves Paris to-morrow evening for Brussels to meet the Germans and renew the abortive negotiations commenced at Spa.

Though the main Allied demand will be essentially the same as before, namely, the surrender of the German merchant fleet, still the conditions are somewhat changed since the previous deadlock.

At that time I learn that Germany were asked categorically to surrender their merchant ships, but as the question of how Germany should be revictualled had not then been quite elaborated the German delegates refused to give up their vessels until they had got some definite guarantee as to how, when, and to what extent Germany was to be supplied with food.

Since then the Supreme Council had before it reports of experts just back from Germany, who have confirmed the gravity of the situation there.

The Allied delegates to Brussels thus go with new facts before them, which doubtless will have an effect on their decisions.

Germany must give up its ships, but Germany will be assured of a speedy supply of foodstuffs, though not of the raw materials which they demanded.—Reuter's Special.

Admiral Hope, it is said, is to tell the German delegates of the Allied decision.

Herr Schmidt, the German Minister for Food Supplies, says a Weimar telegram to Bale (Reuter), states that Germany has not sufficient food to last until the next harvest.

"The question of food supplies would not be so serious if we did not deprive ourselves of the possibilities of receiving imports from abroad owing to unreasonable strikes and other disorders at home."

Two Months' Grace.—Germany, says the Central News correspondent, is likely to be allowed a delay of two months in which to conform with the disarmament terms.

The Paying Up.—The Financial and Reparation Commissions have practically completed their labours. It is not altogether accurate (says the Exchange correspondent) to say that Germany's capacity to pay must be the first thing determined; on the contrary, payment itself is the first essential.

CONFESSIONS OF COAL ADMINISTRATOR.

Sir R. Redmayne and Mr. Smillie—Early Lives.

"18s. INCOME FOR SEVEN."

Mr. Smillie, president of the Miners' Federation, was again in a fighting mood at yesterday's meeting of the Coal Commission, when Sir Richard Redmayne was the principal witness.

Sir Richard Redmayne is Chief Inspector of Mines and Technical Adviser to the Coal Controller, and some very human evidence was disclosed in passages between the two men.

Sir Richard said that while some houses in Northumberland and Durham were very bad, a considerable number were above the average.

Mr. Smillie asked Sir Richard if he was aware that the death-rate among infants under twelve months of age in the mining district was 18 per cent.

"One pleasing point among many which is characteristic of the miners is the affluence which exists among their families," said witness at another point.

Has not the time come when there ought to be a revolution in the housing of the working-class population, especially the miners?—Yes. As the house is, so is the individual, and as the individual is, so is the State.

IT WOULD BE HARD.

Is it possible on an average wage of 35s. a week to raise a family of three, four, five or six children and keep them in a state in which they ought to be kept?—It would certainly be hard, Mr. Smillie.

Can I put it higher than hard? Would Lady Redmayne like to try it?—From the age of twenty to the age of thirty-one my weekly expenditure on the average was 18s. 4d. per week, from which I paid my board, lodgings, clothing, travelling expenses, daily newspaper, and still had sufficient at the end of the year to buy some books. That is why I use the word "hard."

Mr. Smillie: Up to the year 1878 my income was 18s. 6d. a week, and there were seven of us to keep.

Sir Richard: That was harder still.

Mr. Smillie: The fact that I am still living does not disprove that it was too little.

REFORM BY STAGES.

Industry Not Capable of Suffering Great Reduction in Hours.

"Instead of carrying a large reduction of hours into operation at one time, I would carry it out by stages," said witness.

Other points from Sir Richard Redmayne's evidence are as follow:—

There would be a reduction of 21 per cent. in output if the proposed reduction in hours asked by the miners were immediately applicable.

The present system of individual ownership is extravagant and wasteful.

Collective Production, said witness, would result in greater production at lower cost, steadier work and better wages. Waste would be prevented.

Coal Snapshots (Sir R. Redmayne):—

Atmospheric conditions in the room (the King's Robing Room at the House of Lords) last night were considerably worse from the point of view of carbon dioxide than those in a mine.

I was never at school in my life.

Enterprise, effort and initiative will be forthcoming where there is a prize.

Would the British public stand a coal trust?

—It stood the railways.

The last twelve years of my life have been spent in fighting coalowners.

Sir Richard added that he was not in favour of State ownership.

RELIEVED GENERALS.

In the Commons yesterday Captain Guest, in reply to Brigadier-General Pape Croft, who asked whether the Government would inquire into the cases of general officers relieved of their commands during the war without any reason being given, said that an answer given on February 26 was to the effect that it would be impossible to proceed except under the existing laws.

Nearly all those cases involved an inquiry into the question of efficiency and an enormous number of witnesses.

DERELICT U-BOAT.

A Dutch trawler found a derelict German submarine that had neither engines or fittings and towed it to harbour.—Reuter.



Rear-Admiral Hope, who will inform Huns of Allied shipping decision.

Sir Richard Redmayne, who gave evidence at yesterday.

RAILWAY EXECUTIVES OFFER COMPROMISE.

Willing to Raise Wages Level While Living Is High.

It is reported that the main feature of the Railway Executive's reply to the Railwaysmen's demands embodied in their national programme is an offer concerning wages. The benefit of this offer is that the standard rate will be higher while no one will receive more than at present or be worse off.

The answer is to increase the present standard wage, the difference between the old standard and the new standard to be deducted from the 35s. war wage and the balance to be known as a flat rate, which will be subject to automatic reduction as the cost of living goes down to within twenty per cent. over pre-war prices.

The men asked for double time for overtime, while the response is time and a quarter.

Sunday duty is to be a matter for further negotiation, and other demands left outstanding include those dealing with night duty, abolition of piece work, tonnage, and bonus systems, abolition of hybrid grades and claim for equal representation for the National Union of Railwaymen on the management of all railways.

The Railway Executive say they are not prepared to make any offer on the demand in regard to night duty. The men ask for time and a half pay and that night duty be defined as hours of labour between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m.

JUGO-SLAVS HAUL DOWN ITALIAN FLAG.

Rome Reports "Serious Trouble" on Eastern Shore of Adriatic.

Telegraphic intelligence from Rome, under Monday's date, says the Exchange, has reached London to the effect that, notwithstanding the action recently taken by the admirals representing the four Allied Powers in the Adriatic, further serious trouble has broken out on the eastern shore.

At Tray it is stated, on March 7, the Jugo-Slavs compelled an Italian sailing ship to haul down the Italian flag.

On March 9, at Spalato, Jugo-Slavs, it is stated, insulted Italian sailors belonging to the light patrol.

Mr. Joseph Jonas, late Sir Joseph, is not to be denaturalised.

ONE MILLION "HAIR BEAUTY" FREE GIFTS

"Open Sesame" to the Treasure of Beautiful Hair—Unique "Harlene Hair-Drill" Peace-Time Demonstration to Prove How You Can Banish Hair Poverty.

A WONDERFUL HAIR-BEAUTY FREE OUTFIT AWAITS THE LABEL TO YOUR OWN HOME.

Luxurious, Abundant, Wavy Tresses for All Who Post the Gift Coupon Below To-day.

AS surely as the magic words "Open Sesame" revealed to the hero of the Arabian Nights Story, priceless treasures in gold, silver and precious gems, so to-day is the golden treasury of beautiful healthy hair, by the wonderful Gift Offer made here, placed in the possession of the tens of thousands of men and women readers.

Hair poverty unquestionably means a dowdy appearance. Hair health brings with it the return of youth, a fascination of appearance and charm which is irresistible in its appeal.

It is hair health and hair in abundance that "Harlene Hair-Drill" offers you to-day.

It is an extraordinary thing, but nevertheless perfectly true, that there are thousands of people who look at things without ever seeing them; particularly is this true of the hair. Every morning of your life, and perhaps several times during the day, you stand before your mirror to brush and comb your hair, and do not realise the alarming secret that is being revealed to you.

A Remarkable Revelation

As you brush your hair a powdery scurf falls on your shoulder or perhaps the hair lies dank and lifeless when you part it. Perhaps in the comb there is a mass of hairs pulled from the head, or perhaps—well, there are a host of symptoms that clearly tell you hair poverty has set in.

You may banish that hair poverty to-day. Take the opportunity now, whilst you are thinking of this important matter, and send at once for the Free Gift that awaits you.

To every man or woman who writes there will be sent a full week's outfit, comprising everything necessary to commence a delightful yet scientific course of healthy hair culture.

And, chief of all, in the wonderful gift parcel which will be sent you, is the trial bottle of "Harlene" itself; that wonderful golden liquid which, like wine to drooping spirits, stimulates and revives the drooping hair.

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Daily Mirror

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 1919.

ACT QUICKLY!

MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S presence as a driving yet controlling power at the Peace Conference is obviously more than ever necessary; and we hope the industrial crisis in this country will at least allow him time and freedom of mind for "getting the peace through" as soon as possible.

On that all depends.

The peace *must* precede home discussions. We wish there were evidence that industrial and labour leaders here realised this vital connection between peace abroad and settlement at home.

Mr. Lloyd George has secured the passing of his "counter-proposals."

They mean almost complete disarmament of Germany.

That, in turn, and in time, ought also to mean the nearly complete consequent disarmament of the rest of the world—if the rest of the world is sincere in its plea that Germany set the pace.

She can now set it—*must* set it—in the opposite direction. She is disarmed.

Here, then, is the universal means of raising money for reconstruction—cut off destruction-money. The fatuous phrase about "preparing war if you want peace" has gone, we pray, into the ultimate limbo of lies. Again and again it has been proved false. Now it remains, if possible, to try the other way.

Meanwhile, the need for peace grows every day—every hour almost.

A British general is demanding food for Germany. Evidence accumulates on all sides that what Germany there is left clamours for almost any peace. Evidence abounds, too, that if Germany does not get peace and food, she will be fired from end to end by the fever of anarchy. Do we want her to be there at all, as a visible Government with which we can treat? Then we must lift the blockade.

We can listen to General Plumer, surely, on that point!

At present the flame of hatred in certain quarters is so intense that it inspires the following utterly contradictory propositions:—

- (1) Make Germany pay.
 - (2) Destroy her so that she cannot pay.
- And again:
- (1) Kill Bolshevism wherever you meet it.
 - (2) Foster it all over Central Europe by driving Germany to it.

This is not clear thinking. It is not a policy.

We call upon the Peace Talkers for clear thought and a swift policy to meet a situation that will grow desperate if they delay much longer.

BUT WHERE ARE THEY?

AN odd thing about recent well-meaning "reconstruction" reports concerning the domestic servant difficulty!

It is that they all invariably concentrate themselves on the *training* of domestic servants.

At present, you might as well talk about the training of unicorns.

The point the good people don't quite seem to grasp is that domestic servants don't exist. And you can't train what has no existence—and what doesn't intend to exist, if it can help it.

The housewife doesn't dare to want so much as a "well-trained" domestic. That may come. She wants just *any* domestic, trained or not.

Will the Committees and Bodies and Leagues and Organisations kindly begin at the beginning? W. M.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

It were happy if we studied Nature more in natural things; and acted according to Nature; whose Rules are few, plain and most reasonable.—William Penn.

RUMANIA'S ROMANTIC QUEEN: OUR GUEST

TRIALS AND TRIUMPHS OF TO-DAY'S ROYAL VISITOR.

By IGNATIUS PHAYRE.
(Author of "America's Day.")

SURELY no British Princess ever crowded so much adventure into her life as the beautiful Marie of Edinburgh—King George's cousin and Queen Victoria's grand-daughter—who now comes among us again to renew her girlhood memories in the time of peace.

"No one can rob me of the love of my people," was the Queen's heart-cry, when Rumania went down in ruins, with her hospital-palace defiled with Prussian jack-boots and spiked helmets, her hill-top home bombed and smashed, the national army scattered, and a crushing German "peace" imposed, which meant the national death of Rumania. . . .

"No one can rob me of the love of my people! Our common sufferings only make us cling the more closely together."

Wholly defenceless against clouds of aircraft, Bukarest—the gay Paris of the Balkans—was soon a shambles of butchery and plague.

Yet the Queen stayed, counselling her hus-

bands remain undismayed. We shall stand fast to the end!"

And when the flight of the Court could no longer be delayed, her baby—her beloved Mircea—died, and the mother took leave of him in the little church at Cotroceni. And there, indeed, she broke down, amid the white flowers and mystical light of evening. "I tore from me," the Queen says in a letter "the mask I had worn all day, and cried out my pain to the little one that lay under the stones."

DANGERS ESCAPED.

The other five children she took with her to quaint old Jassy, in Moldavia. This town of refugees swelled from 65,000 to a population of 200,000. The price of a pair of boots soon rose to 500 lei, or about £20; and a cake of soap cost a sovereign. Then spotted typhoid broke out like a flame. The royal children missed the German bombs in Jassy. As many as thirteen fell upon the villa and garden in Bukarest, where they had been housed for safety.

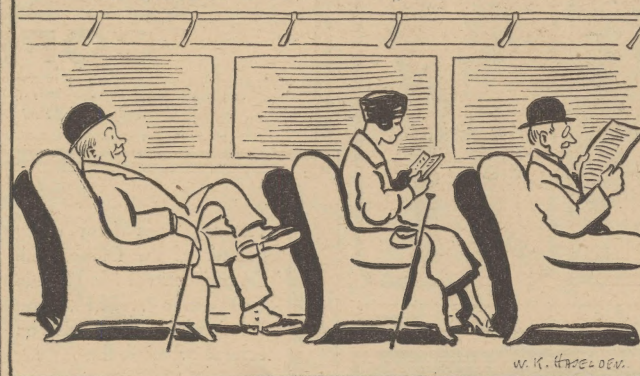
All these horrors, combined with treachery in the Army and Court, tried the Queen to the utmost, yet her faith and her hope were never quenched. Her "palace" was now a

WHEN THE MIDDLE-CLASS GETS A UNION.—No. 4.

THIS MODE OF TRAVELLING.—



— MAY GIVE PLACE TO SOMETHING OF THIS SORT —



Transport is at present one of its chief troubles. Perhaps "some day" that may be improved, by means of middle-class organisation.—(By W. K. Haselden.)

band not to sign the shameful treaty, but to rally the remnants of his forces and conduct a fighting retreat across the Ukraine into the Caucasus, in the teeth of five hostile armies.

"She is our mother," broken men would say in the Regina Maria Hospital, where the Crown Prince Carol worked also, and Nicholas, the boy scout, as well as Elisabeta, Mariorara, and little Ileana. Those were bitter days. Often 300 women and children would be slaughtered in a few hours by merciless German aircraft. A quarter of a million soldiers were killed, another 100,000 wiped out by typhus. The rich oil wells were smashed, and the spectre of starvation lowered at last upon the stricken nation.

In a ringing message to the mothers of America Queen Marie pictured the horrors of this German invasion.

"My Rumania," she said, "has been called upon to drink the uttermost dregs of war's bitterness. Yet in such a time a woman should lead; our bodies suffer cruelly, but our

workshop, full of bales of cloth, sewing machines, surgical instruments, bandages and drugs and charms of milk. What this lady saw and what she did in pestilential Jassy would take too long to tell. Her experiences would terrify a veteran nurse.

Never will her Majesty forget those awful days in the chalet at Jassy, watching the shells burst, with a Russian wolfhound at her feet, and the grave Elisabeta at her side. She was throughout a tower of strength to the martyred nation, a source of serenity and optimism; courageous, steadfast and calm.

The Queen's energy was amazing. And when the exhausting day was over she sat down to a two-course dinner—perhaps with American guests—and discussed Mark Twain and Bret Harte as though the German Terror had been but a nightmare, forgotten in the new day.

She comes to us from Paris for a brief rest. But her passion is to reconstruct her shattered country and to redeem the 3,000,000 Russians of Transylvania.

"BUDGET SHADOWS."

WHAT WILL MR. CHAMBERLAIN DO TO RAISE MONEY?

"PINCH THE PROFITS."

EVEN the threat of a "pinch the profits" tax is being felt already.

People are thinking of getting rid of their deferred shares in big businesses.

People are afraid to embark in business adventures. Small men are hesitating.

Similarly big men dare not undertake expansion.

The suggested tax would be a most deadly blow at production. A BUSINESS MAN.

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"MAKE POSTERITY PAY."

THERE is little to be said in justice against the idea of "making posterity pay" at least a part of the cost of the war. For posterity will benefit by the efforts of this generation in beating down militarism and the Hun.

Unfortunately, I don't think you can "make posterity pay."

A debt you pile up now has to be borne now—by this generation. Surely we have to pay the interest on our own debt. P. E.

Putney.

AVOID CRANK TAXES.

WHATEVER tax we do have I pray that the "crank" tax may be avoided.

And the crankiest of all taxes is the constantly suggested tax on bachelors—or bachelor girls.

Relief from taxation in respect of each child is, of course, different—so long as it does not take the form of a demoralising "bonus on babies," which does no good, but promotes unthrift amongst the least responsible classes of the community. But to penalise unmarried people is to force those into marriage who may be unfit for it.

It is also an outrageous interference with the personal liberty our country is still supposed to admire. M. K. L.

Camden Hill-square, W.

THE COLONIAL BIRTH-RATE.

ACCORDING to "R. D." the war, and the present appalling death-rates and unrest everywhere, suggest that henceforth few people in the world "should have more than two children."

Well, the birth-rate returns show, fortunately, that the Huns have already begun to take up that idea.

But, all the same, your correspondent would surely approve of people in new countries, like Canada and Australia, having larger families than that. IMPERIALIST.

"BEING BETTERED."

MISS HALKETT'S argument is unsound.

She says people don't want to be bettered.

They want to live in dirt, etc.

That simply shows they are not "bettered"—by education.

Education is the first means of betterment and, of course, run parallel with better housing and so on. R. S.

SHORTER LETTERS.

Change of Scene.—It seems to me that the advantages gained by travel and change of scene are largely illusory. Travel is of use to those previously prepared for it by education. Without that, it only makes fools more foolish.—F. T. M.

Married Men in the East.—Is it impossible for even married men to be sent home now from India? Surely it is unfair that we who have suffered the loneliness of separation for so long are still to be deprived of our husbands' companionship.—A LONELY WIFE.

Influenza Inoculation.—While your correspondents argue about it, doctors have found the influenza bacillus. That means they have also found the influenza cure. It is now only a question of money and time.—M. D.

Middle-Classes and Labour.—It's a pity "Labour" has not more sympathy with the middle-class. What would the mass of the people do without the taxes drawn for the public—and popular—purposes from the middle-class?—HEAVILY TAXED.

WISDOM.

Do all your deeds by good advice,
Cast in your mind always the end—
We bought is of too dear a price.

The tried, trust and take as friend—
For friends I find there be but two:

Of countenance, and of affect,
Of those sort first there are enow;

But few are of the other sect,
Beware also the venemous crew.

Of crafty words and flattery,
For to deceive they be most meet,

That last can play hypocrisy,
Let wisdom rule your deed and thought;

So shall your works be wisely wrought.
—From an Elizabethan Songbook.

IN MY GARDEN.

MARCH 12.—The weather for the past month has been so unfavourable that garden work has been much delayed; no time should be lost in getting beds and borders tidy for the spring. Cut down the dead stalks of perennials and lightly fork over the ground between the plants. Also carefully stir the soil between spring bulbs. Prune and train climbing and rambling roses, removing most of the old wood from the latter. Lawns should be brushed over, and any bare patches relaid with fresh turf; then well roll the grass.

During fine weather perennials may be divided and planted, and positions got ready for sowing sweet peas and other annuals. T. F. T.

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An entrant from South Wales who was engaged in a big nickel factory.



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A Yorkshire entrant who worked on the land. She is seen wearing her uniform.



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MAXIMILIAN HARDEN APPEALS TO THE FRENCH.

GERMAN WRITER TELLS US GERMANY IS STARVING.

By ARTHUR WILLIS.

Would the Germans have become Republican if they had won the war? is the question.

MAXIMILIAN HARDEN, Germany's great writer on political subjects, and editor of *Die Zukunft*, makes an appeal in a recent number of his paper to the Allies (and to the French in particular) for a more element attitude towards his countrymen.

Die Zukunft, which has been several times suppressed during the war for its freedom of expression, is a curious example of a "one-man journal"—the majority of its numbers contain a single long article by its editor, who writes in a brilliant, if somewhat confused and obscure, style. Harden himself, always an outspoken critic of German Imperialism, a "free lance," and an ardent advocate of peace, has been frequently in trouble with the authorities.

In directing this protest to the French, Harden expresses regret that France should harbour so much resentment against the Germans. He is horrified at the sentiment shown by a cartoon in a French paper, depicting two endless rows of graver, and bearing the title, "Lest We Forget!"

HIGH DEATH RATE.

"Your victory far exceeds even your own expectations," he says. "Wouldn't you, quite frankly, have been perfectly satisfied with a little slice of Lorraine in June last when you were in such grave anxiety over the tremendous losses caused by the German offensive?"

You have won so much that you really ought to be magnanimous now—that is Harden's attitude.

Harden maintains that though things in Germany have not come to such a pass that her streets are lined with corpses, yet conditions in his country during the last years of the war could hardly have been worse.

"The death rate," he says, "especially among children and old people, has gone up to an alarming extent. Do you know how the Germans have been living for a long time past? Little bits of tasteless bread, of a kind which, untaasted, tries all but the strongest digestions. About as much meat a week as would satisfy the daily needs of a kitten. Few vegetables, no fish, hardly any eggs or fats—even a glass of milk or an orange are things to dream of—not to enjoy. And this has been the state of things for years!"

Is this a true description of Germany's food conditions to-day?

It is difficult for us to decide upon this question, for there is a great deal of discrepancy in the reports we read in our papers from correspondents in the Fatherland.

THE WORLD'S DUTY.

Sometimes we read of well-stocked shops in Cologne and sometimes of famines among the lower classes.

"Who caused all this misery? Who was responsible for the far greater sufferings of France, Belgium and Italy?"

We search the pages of *Die Zukunft* in vain for a sign of the main point at issue—the responsibility.

Instead we find vague statements regarding Germany's "reforms." Harden even maintaining that "Germany waged war against foreign Imperialism. She has won her victory, in spite of big guns and tanks, if she has made the rule of the People secure."

Did the Hun set forth in shining armour in 1914 to fight for democracy? Had he been victorious, would he have become a Republican?

If men like Harden, who grumble at the Allies' attitude towards their conquered foe, would read a truthful account of the events which led up to the war (Professor Oman's recently published work, for example), and would realise that the whole civilised world agrees that Germany was alone responsible for the world-wide misery it caused—they would not venture to make a protest now.

If a band of outlaws broke into your house, Herr Harden, sacking, pillaging and murdering the inhabitants, and you were able to overcome them after a hard struggle and to tie their hands with cords—what would be your first duty?

Surely, to attend to the wounds of your loved ones, to restore as far as possible the devastation caused by a cruel attack, while seeing to it that the aggressors were so firmly bound that they could not renew their outrages. This done—then, and then only, would you loosen the murderers' cords.

If the cords that bind Germany are beginning to hurt it is not the fault of her intended victims.

A. W.

WHERE IS THE CONFIRMED BACHELOR?

ARE THERE ENOUGH TO MAKE A TAX WORTH WHILE?

By ALFRED BARNARD.

"I SHALL never get married—I am thirty-four!"

"I am thirty-four; I shall never get married!"

Gentle reader, you have heard it so often. Or, perhaps, it has run thus:—

"What's the use? How can I afford to get married?"

Or:—

"I've never met the girl for whom I would give up my freedom! She does not exist. Believe me, I shall always remain a bachelor to the end." You know him, don't you?

He is tall, dark, attractive. He is an awfully decent chap, brimming with health and happiness.

We wonder how the girls have let him rest in peace so long.

Thirty-four, and still a bachelor! Surely if he can run so long, he will "stay" to the end.

He is a marvel, when you come to think of it.

While in the Army he was petted by sweet Suzette—but he came out of the war unscathed.

When on leave in London—well, suffice it to say, he has remained a bachelor.

Then one day he met a girl at a dance. And the next morning he broke into song before breakfast.

Just as a temperature may indicate the flu, so song before breakfast on the part of a confirmed bachelor may indicate a changing outlook on life.

"She's a charming girl," he said, trying to speak as though nothing were disturbing him. "So very delightful and unaffected. I'm taking her to a theatre to-night!"

He not only took her to a theatre, but he escorted her home to the extreme south-east and trudged back—whistling all the way we suspect—to the extreme West End.

The next morning he couldn't eat his breakfast and he hurled all his clothes about the room in an effort to select the tie that suited him best.

A most tidy man in the ordinary way, our minds were disturbed for the confirmed bachelor. Within a week he was so obviously happy that his presence was like the sunlight of spring.

On the seventh day he takes his tub at six instead of eight. You hear laughter and song from the bathroom. At breakfast beams of light shoot from his eyes. He butters his toast twice, shakes the sugar castor over his eggs and puts salt in his tea.

"Bachelor man—what are you at this morning?" you ask.

Then out it comes—biff!

"You'd never guess—ah! ah!—no, you'd never guess—he! he! I'm engaged!"

Then he howls with delight and you bear yourself with restraint much as you would at the bedside of a dear friend who will not be long with you.

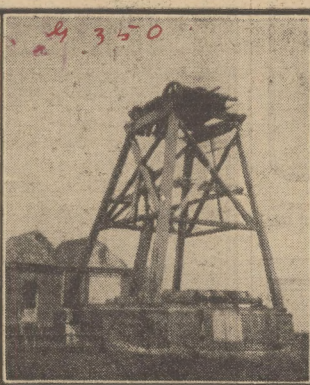
Then you congratulate the confirmed bachelor, just as so many other confirmed bachelors are sooner or later congratulated.

What is the use of troubling to tax them?

A. B.



The English Side.



The French Side.

The Channel Tunnel as it is to-day. Neglected head-workings on both sides of the Channel are shown in the above photographs.

IS IT WISE TO BE A "JOLLY GOOD SPORT?"

A PROBLEM THAT CREEPS INTO THE LIVES OF MANY WOMEN.

By STELLA WEBB.

HOW often one hears it said by men, of a woman, "Oh, she's a sport!"

There are very many nice women in this world to whom men will allude in this fashion, and the delightful part about it is—they mean it. They realise that she carries into her private life the spirit of the sportswoman on stream and links.

That type of woman is never the type men say or think unkind things about.

Should she ever mildly transgress the bounds of convention, her Bohemianism is always excused by them on the grounds that "She's a sport!" and for this same reason men will go to her with the harassing things of life, knowing perfectly well that they are sure of her help and sympathy.

She is generally the type of woman who will smile good-naturedly over a man's flights of tenderness; she will listen whilst he goes off into rhapsodies about the perfections of his adored one, and will sympathise just as readily with him if the said adored one should sway ever so slightly on the pedestal whereon she has been placed.

Should a man be "up against it" in any way, he's all the better for knowing a girl who is a "sport."

He will take her out and about, and he'll probably say during one part of the outing the only thing he ever really feels about her:

"You are a sport." To know that her men friends value her sufficiently to give her their confidence makes her feel that life indeed is well worth living.

But, of course, like everything else, it has its drawbacks. I know a young wife who determined after her marriage to endeavour to be to her husband that which he affected to admire most—a "jolly good sport."

It worked very well; so well, that when he realised what a "jolly good sport" she was, he found courage to tell her of most of his doings.

She never reproved him, hoping all the time that because she was trying hard to live up to his standard she was still further cementing the bonds that held them.

He could always excuse himself over his many peccadilloes with the knowledge that he told his wife everything, and then came the day of tragedy . . . and they parted.

She is still voted "a sport," but now a very little sadness creeps into her face when men tell her this, and her jests have acquired a tinge of bitterness that used not to be there.

Now, like so many other wives, she often wonders what she ought to have done.

Had she never tried to behave differently from the conventional wife he would, in all probability, have remained the conventional husband, but with a very warm and secret corner in his heart for some other woman. And they might never have parted.

Would she have gained if she had remained the typical wife, instead of losing, as she has undoubtedly done, through her earnest endeavours to "be a sport" to her husband?

S. W.

A CHANNEL TUNNEL AT LAST?

SENTIMENT AND ROMANCE THE CHIEF OBJECTIONS.

By CLIFFORD HOSKEN.

The Channel Tunnel will establish the way to open the heart of the League of Nations.

SO the Channel Tunnel is to come at last, and like so many great reforms over which there have been years of bitter fighting, it comes unexpectedly and almost unopposed. Like "Votes for Women," for instance.

The extraordinary hostility in this country to the tunnel was ever the more powerful because it was founded not so much upon reason as upon national sentiment and prejudice.

Apart from debatable military considerations, nobody could produce any sound objection to the scheme, yet the majority of us did object.

I think what was largely at the foundation of our objections was our reluctance to give up our insularity.

King Edward frankly admitted this in a conversation with the late Major-General Sir Alfred Turner.

Meeting Sir Alfred one day, King Edward said that he had always regarded him as a man of good sense, and could not conceive how he could support the tunnel scheme.

NO LONGER AN ISLAND.

Sir Alfred replied that he had always thought that the King favoured the idea.

"Certainly not," said King Edward, "it is a most pernicious scheme. We have been made an island, so let us remain."

But very shortly after that we ceased to be an island.

On that summer Sunday morning in 1909 when Bleriot in his queer, primitive monoplane, glided out of the sky on to the downs above Dover, British insularity really ceased to be.

And curiously enough Bleriot had started from the French coast at a spot within a few kilometres of the abandoned shafts of the French end of the Channel Tunnel workings, and he landed almost within sight of the neglected workings at the English end.

The tunnel, many of us feel with a certain amount of regret, will rob us of much of the romance of foreign travel. There has always been a spice of adventure in "going abroad."

As the boat train slowly jolted on to the pier at Folkestone or Dover, we all of us would glance eagerly—often anxiously—at the sea. Would it be rough?

When the great grey seas came rolling in, smashing themselves into spray against the breakwaters, I rather think that a petition in favour of a Channel Tunnel would not have lacked signatures had one been awaiting at the gateway of the Channel boats.

Still, there was romance about it. The joys or sorrows of the crossing passed, one really did enter foreign parts by the front door.

CAPTOWN TO LONDON.

On one side of the Strait was England—tiny, diminutive, homelike. On the other, the big train, the grumpy engines, the hustle, chatter, apparent disorder of the Continent. In fact, all that clearly defined difference that lies between the British policeman on Folkestone Pier and the French gendarme.

But when the tunnel is at last completed all that will pass. We shall go abroad and enter France by a back door, as it were.

We shall board our train at Charing Cross or wherever the great Continental terminus may be, go to our sleeping berths, if we can afford it, turn in, and probably not look out of the carriage window again until our train is jolting over the points outside the Gare du Nord.

We shall soon get used to it. Comfort and romance seldom go hand in hand. Our grandfathers were loath to give up the romantic discomforts of the stage coach at first.

And the romance of the old way of travel once dead a new romance will arise.

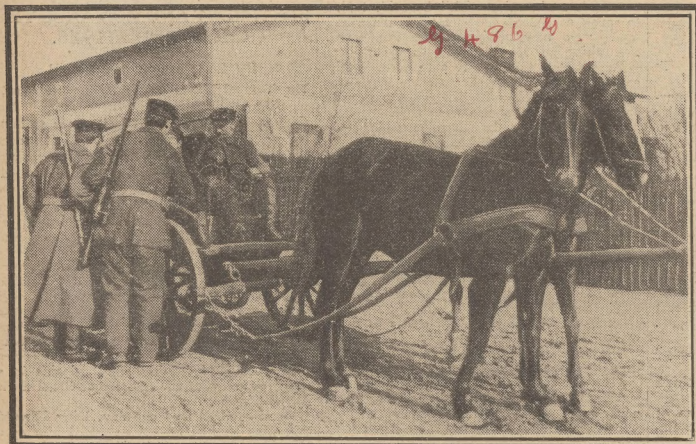
There is always something stimulating to the imagination about long-distance trains. The Orient Express, that we used sometimes to see steaming into Ostend, covered in the soot and grime of nearly a week's journey from Constantinople, was ever an object of interest.

Trains like that will be steaming into London in a few years time—great trains, with carriages labelled, perhaps, "Capetown—Congo—Constantinople—London," or "London—Paris—Rome—Naples," and one day, "Calcutta—London," from which travel-weary passengers will descend from compartments entered half the world away.

And so we shall realise that the romance of travel, which past generations have always sighed is dying, will never die.

C. H.

POLES LEAVING NOTHING TO CHANCE IN NEWS FOOD SHIPS BRING FLO



Owing to the serious situation prevailing in Eastern Europe, the Poles have to keep close watch at their frontiers, and every farmer's cart is thoroughly examined. Under that innocent load of produce there might be a machine gun.



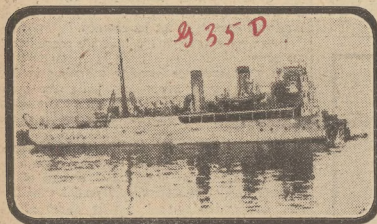
Sir A. Fell, M.P., who advocates the new Channel Tunnel scheme, which will be completed in five years. Cost £16,000,000.



Sir Francis Vincent, of Ormesby, who put by a penny a day throughout the war. Proceeds entertained the schoolchildren.



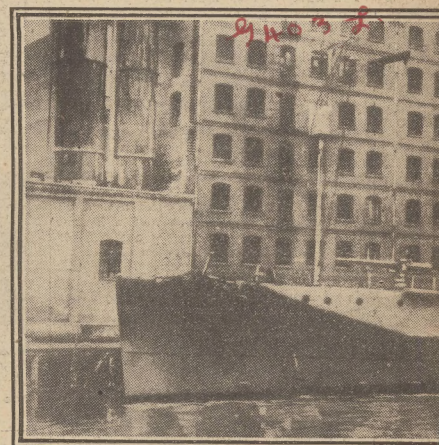
Unloading the flour which Germany needs so



FOULED A MINE.—H.M.S. Carnation badly damaged after striking an "egg of death." She is one of the flower class of minesweeping sloops.



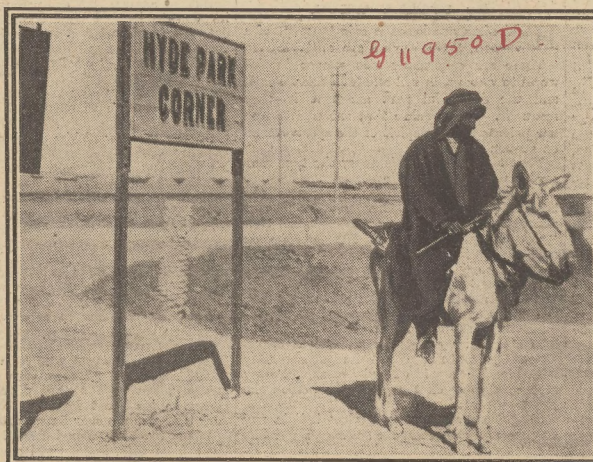
WON A BEAUTY PRIZE.—Miss R. Thompson, who is marked with a cross, won the beauty contest which the Tieside munition girls organised among themselves.



A U.S. warship guarding a food ship. Gone is the activity at Germany's ports, the activity which landed at her wharves, except the food her victories



THE DAZZLE BALL.—The dress to be worn by Mrs. Wyatt at the Chelsea Arts' Club Ball.



ANCIENT AND MODERN.—On the edge of the desert near Basra, Mesopotamia. An illustration of Balaam and his ass is an up-to-date spot.



DECORATED.—Gen. Sir H. S. Rawlinson, Bart., who has been awarded the French Croix de Guerre by M. Poincaré.



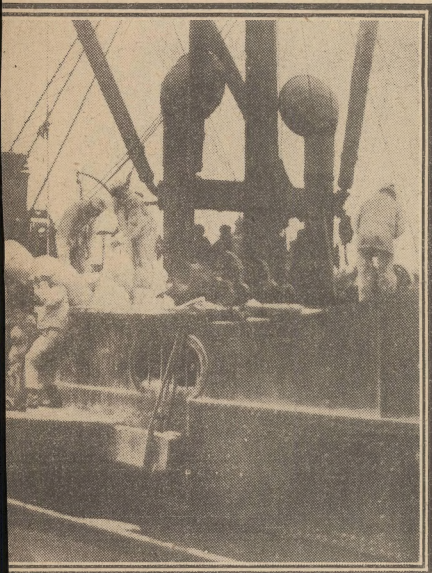
EARL OF CAVAN.—The C.O. British forces in Italy, created Grand Officer, Military Order of Savoy by King Victor.



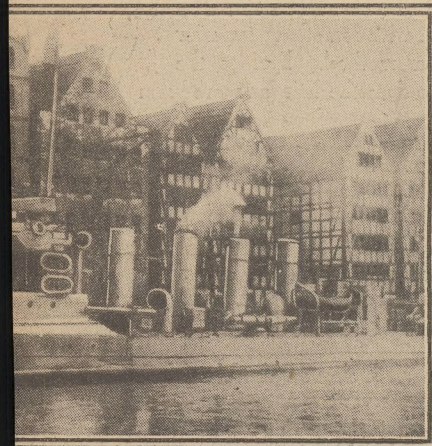
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GERMANY FROM U.S.A. IN NEWS

PRESIDENT WILSON LEADS PARADE



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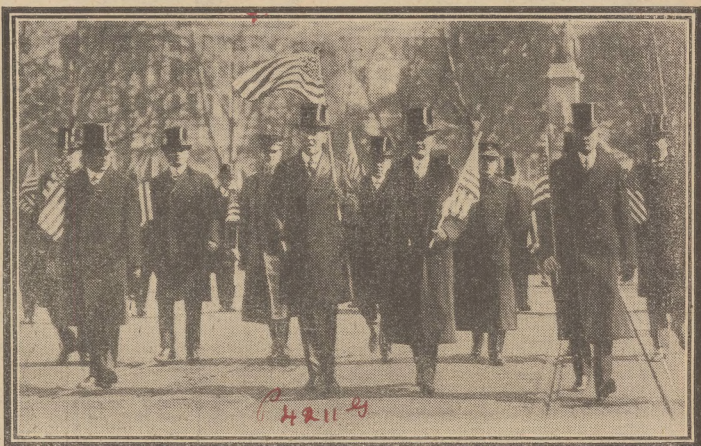
ever-increasing prosperity. Now there are no "imports" bringing her to save her from disruption.—(Exclusive.)



Capt. Stewart C. Williams, R.A.F., who has resumed duty in the police force as a detective sergeant.



Col. A. Thorne, the Hull coroner, has just held his 8,000th inquest. His father and grandfather both held the post.



Carrying a Stars and Stripes, President Wilson led the parade held in honour of Washington's returned warriors. It was his first public appearance in the capital since his arrival home from France, and he was enthusiastically cheered.



ON THEIR WEDDING DAY.—A judicial separation was granted yesterday to Mrs. Jack O'Connor the wife of the music-hall artist, who appears with his sister as Jack and Evelyn.



TO WED FRENCH OFFICER. — Miss Catherine Irene Brass, who is engaged to Lieutenant Andre Jay, French G.H.Q., only son of the late M. Jay and Mme. Jay, of Lyons.



CROIX DE GUERRE.—Gen. the Hon. Sir Julian Byng, on whom this honour has been conferred by the French President.



FRENCH HONOUR.—Gen. Sir H. S. Horne, who has been awarded the Croix de Guerre by President Poincare.



ADMIRAL DEFEATS NELSON.—Rear-Admiral Sir Reginald Hall (right) congratulated yesterday after being elected Coalition M.P. for West Derby, Liverpool. His majority over Mr. George Nelson, the Labour candidate, was 1,302.



THE DAZZLE BALL.—The dress to be worn by Mrs. Dudley at the Albert Hall to-night.

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A new and charming portrait of Lady Ashburton, who was Miss Donnelly, of New York.



Miss Russell, daughter of Gen. Russell, of Aden, had nursing during the war.

A RAILWAY OFFER.

The Premier and Sir Henry Wilson—A New Use for the Albert Hall.

I HEAR that the negotiations have been quietly going on between the railwaymen and the Railway Executive have reached an interesting point. The Executive have now made a definite offer to the men as to the latter's "national programme." The union will meet on Friday to talk over the offer.

Whitsun Trips.

I told you there would be no railway excursions at Easter, but now I will tell you something else. There is just a chance, so far no more than a chance, that by Whitsuntide the railways may be able to run a moderate number of cheap excursion trains.

For the "Channel."

That group of M.P.s which is particularly interested in the Channel Tunnel have formed a committee to expedite the parliamentary work on the project. By the by, you may remember that your "Rambler" was the first to state positively in print that the scheme would actually be undertaken by the Government.

A Policeman's Lot.

There is reason for stating that the policeman's union will not be "recognised." However, Mr. Shortt has agreed to meet the men's leaders—probably to-day.

The Christening.

The newly-arrived daughter of Captain J. Tudor-Rees, M.P., is a distinguished young person. She is to be christened in the crypt of the House of Commons, like Mr. Austen Chamberlain's little Ivy was. This is a thing that is not at all usual, though all M.P.s have this privilege.

The Same Way Home.

The whole Irish Nationalist Party—or all that remains of it—travelled from London to Kingstown the other day. In the same boat were released Sinn Féin prisoners. They made, I am sure, quite a pleasant company, but I suspect the humorist who tells me that one of them sang "We All Go the Same Way Home."

"Centres" of Activity.

I gather that there is much activity by the new Centre Party in Ireland. Its programme of moderation and reform is ridiculed by the hot-headed Sinn Féiners, and is getting only half-hearted support from the Constitutionals.

To Take the Chair.

The Prime Minister hopes to be back from Paris to preside at the dinner to Sir Henry Wilson. Chief of the Imperial General Staff. This is fixed for March 27. But that date is merely provisional. If Mr. Lloyd George cannot be here the dinner will have to be postponed. He is very desirous of being in the chair.



Sir H. Wilson.

Peace and Plenty.

When the function comes off peace preliminaries will have been signed. Wherefore all the convives will be in particularly cheerful mood.

Not a Chairman.

Mr. Lloyd George could not see his way to take the sessional chairmanship of the Coalition Liberals. With his heavy duties it would mean that the work would have wholly devolved on the vice-chairman.

TO-DAY'S GOSSIP

News and Views About Men, Women, and Affairs in General

An Quetti Now.

Queen Mario of Rumania, who arrives here to-day, has been revelling in new clothes. For years she has lived in her nurse's uniform. "I shall hardly know how to dress now," she is said to have remarked when she put off the hospital garb.

"Out of Things."

"I have been out of things social for so long," she smilingly went on, "that I shall hardly know how to behave." Her daughters have each passed all the examinations necessary for an expert nurse.

Palaces Not Wanted.

"The people we represent do not want palaces, but just decent houses." So said a Labour leader to me yesterday. His great fear was, not that the Government would not go ahead quickly with the housing scheme, but that it would carry the improvement of houses too far. As he pointed out, the people want houses they can be comfortable in.

No Holiday for 46 Years.

I was in one of the quaintest parts of London the other day—the island parish of St. Peter's, London Docks. A friend there told me that the vicar, Father Wainwright, is the hardest-worked parson in London. He has not had a holiday for forty-six years.

W. W. Jacobs' "Characters."

Father Wainwright, a spare, energetic "young man" of seventy-three, is beloved in his parish. He lives very frugally, and has his chief meal of the day between ten and eleven at night. His parishioners mostly look like Mr. Will Owen's illustrations to Mr. W. W. Jacobs' stories.

New West-End Vicar.

I notice that the Rev. C. E. White, of Paddington, has been appointed vicar of Holy Trinity, Sloane-street. Holy Trinity, a spacious structure, designed by Spedding, is one of the most crowded of West-End churches. A former vicar, the Rev. H. R. Gamble, is now Dean of Exeter.

Why Not the Albert Hall?

That ugly building Kensington way which commemorates the Prince Consort, has been used for many purposes, from theatrical balls



The Hon. Barbara Fretz, to be married after Easter, was welfare supervisor in a munition factory.



Miss Dorothy Gundry, only daughter of Maj. Gundry, has been a parlourmaid at Lonsdown House.

to Salvation Army demonstrations. Now it is proposed to turn it into a dormitory for soldiers passing through London.

A Suggestion.

It is Mr. Raper, M.P. for East Islington, who makes this suggestion, which he will present to Sir Alfred Mond in the House. He is a timber merchant in civil life, but for two years was a pilot in the R.A.F.

The Major's Future.

A major who was a clerk in a Yorkshire office before the war wrote to his old employers saying that he expected to be demobilised shortly and asking if they could offer him a situation in keeping with his military position. The reply he received was that his former post as clerk remained open to him if he cared to take it!

Cement Roads.

Portland cement is to be largely used for the making of roads in the future as macadam is not suitable for heavy motor traffic. The surface of these cement roads is non-slippery, prevents skidding, can be kept clean and does not collect mud.

A French Invasion.

The war is responsible for a new form of entertainment. I have received an invitation to a "concert, parlez-vous and dance." I shall certainly go to see what a "parlez-vous" may be like.

Farwell.

I understand that Gilbert Jessop has decided definitely to retire from first-class cricket. We must wish a regretful farewell to the greatest hitter of all times. I doubt if there was ever such an innings played as his hundred which won the final Test match against Australia at the Oval.

A Paradox.

It is the irony of ironies that Mr. Howard Lang is playing the German-American part at the Haymarket. He tells me that in his native States he enacted nothing but Englishmen, and to that end sedulously cultivated an English accent. Now he comes to England and plays a "Dutch" part!



Mr. Howard Lang.

In the Audience.

Mr. Ben Greet is evidently not above taking a hint from the Hippodrome's "joy-plank." In his matinees of "Julius Caesar" the Roman mob comes from the stage and mingles with the audience to listen to Mr. Norman V. Norman orating as Mark Antony.

In Great Demand.

The well-known amateur rider, Mr. F. B. Rees, tells me he has had no fewer than six mounts offered him in the Armistice Handicap this week. He expects to be demobilised from the R.A.F. this week.

Demobilised.

Another actor just out of khaki is Mr. Jack Hulbert, who, as you will remember, married Miss Cicely Courtneidge. He tells me that he and his actress-wife are off to Paris, where engagements await them.

Married Girl Clerks.

I hear that Civil Service associations have decided to request the authorities to reconsider their attitude towards the permanent employment of married women Civil Servants. At present when a girl clerk marries she is compulsorily retired, and if she has over six years' service she is given the gratuity to which she is entitled. THE RAMBLER.

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NORRIS'S LOVER

PEOPLE IN THE STORY.

URSULA LORIMER, a young and pretty girl, who tried to earn her own living.
JAKE RATTRAY, a man under medical sentence of death.
DORIS ST. CLAIRE, formerly engaged to Jake.

JAKE IS TOLD THE NEWS.

IT was nearer nine o'clock than seven when Jake turned up at the Spicers' flat.
"I'm frightfully sorry, old chap," he said, as Spicer came out of the drawing-room to meet him. "Yes—I've got a jolly fine excuse, but I'll tell it to your wife, not to you. She'll understand."

Jake was very fond of Spicer's wife, and he knew that she liked him. He made his apologies to her, quite confident of sympathy.

"What could I do with the dog?" he demanded. "It was too dirty to bring here to you, and, 'pon my word, I hadn't got the heart to leave it for the next brute to come along and take it to you. I took it back to my rooms, and of course it made me late! I'm most awfully sorry."

"There's not the least occasion to apologise," Elsa Spicer told him, quickly. "It was like you, Jake! Only next time bring him along here. I love dogs. Poor thing! How can anyone be so cruel?"

Spicer laughed. "What on earth are you going to do with it, Jake? I suppose it's a mongrel?"

"It is—a ragged, rough-haired brute; but I shall keep it. He'll be company, anyway."

Elsa's eyes softened. She had tried unsuccessfully to get her husband about Jake since her marriage, but all he would say was: "Ask him yourself, my dear. He doesn't tell me his secrets, and I am not inquisitive. If his engagement is off, I should say he's to be congratulated."

"He looks unhappy," Elsa said, sufficiently happy herself to wish everyone else to be the same. "And very ill," she added, compassionately.

So she was especially kind to Jake to-night, and although he protested, untruthfully, that he had already dined, she insisted on bringing coffee and sandwiches for him.

"You want to look like a man," she declared. "I shall have to come round and see your landlady and tell her the sort of food you want to fatten you up."

Jake laughed ruefully and glanced quickly at Spicer.

"I'm thinking of giving up my rooms and retiring gracefully into the country," he said. "Two acres and a cow sort of style! I'll send you all the milk and cream, Mrs. Spicer."

He felt that he could not trust himself to be serious. They looked so happy, these two, that it gave him a very real pang of envy. It was his fault, he told himself bitterly, that, though men build houses, women make homes. There was already an air about the small flat that spoke of a woman's presence. He thought distastefully of his own bachelor abode.

Later, when the coffee was out of the room, Spicer said diffidently: "I heard something when I left you this evening, Jake, that may interest you."

Jake looked up. "Well, here away," he said. "I was faintly surprised at the almost embarrassed look in his friend's face."

Spicer hesitated. "It's about Doris St. Claire," he said at last.

"Well?"

Spicer flushed uncomfortably. "You haven't heard, then?" he said.

Jake shrugged his shoulders. "I haven't," he answered. "But I can guess. She's engaged."

"Yes." There was a short silence.

"To—Vanner?" Jake asked.

"Yes. He told me himself."

A longer silence now. Jake sat staring into the fire with hard eyes. Then all at once he laughed.

"It won't break my heart," he said quietly, and the sincerity of his own words surprised him.

Had he ever cared for her at all? He supposed he could not have done.

"I thought I ought to tell you," Spicer said uncomfortably.

"I must write and congratulate her," Jake answered, and he wondered why, as Doris was so soon forgotten him, she had gone out of her way to disparage him to Ursula Lorimer.

But that mattered in the slightest; not that anything mattered now.

But he was strangely silent for the rest of the evening, though he did his best, and as soon as he had gone Elsa turned to her husband.

"What is the matter with Jake?" she asked in concern. "If he is not ill I am sure he must be in dreadful trouble. He looks to me as if he has something preying on his mind."

Her husband slipped an arm round her waist. "You're too tender-hearted," he said fondly. "Don't worry your little head about Jake. He can take care of himself all right."

"But that's just what I am sure he can't do," she declared. "And he is your friend, John? I do think you might be more interested and sympathetic."

"My darling child! What can I do?" Spicer protested. "Jake hates interference. He's the most independent of men I ever met."

She pretended to look serious.

"I don't know what's the good of being anyone's friend if they don't make a confidant of you," she said. "I thought that was the whole idea of friendship. If he were raised to scorn me, I should like to know how he would treat me."

Spicer looked embarrassed. He had given his word to Jake not to speak of his affairs, but at the same time he had an uncomfortable conviction

that Elsa would discover them for herself before long.

"I know Doris has jilted him, if that's what you mean," he said reluctantly. "But you know that, too."

"I knew there had been some sort of trouble, but Doris said it was Jake's fault."

"Doris would say anything that suited her," Spicer declared bluntly. "But, at any rate, it's not Jake's fault; she's engaged herself to Vanner, is it?"

"She hasn't!"

"She has. He told me himself this evening."

"Does Jake know?"

"Yes. She pushed him away from her playfully. "Then that's what's the matter with him, of course," she said. "No wonder he looks sad, poor man! You imagine how you would feel in his place."

"It's beyond me."

THE WAY OF THE WORLD.

ELSA hardly listened. "I used to like Doris," she said after a moment. "I thought she was really fond of Jake! How can she have changed so soon?"

"Money, I should think," her husband answered. "You never liked Doris, or considered her good enough for your friend. Now if all women were like you," he said fondly.

"Matter?" She kissed him rather absently. "John! Can't we find him a wife? Jake, I mean."

Her husband frowned. "You're not going to turn into a match-maker already!" he protested.

"You ought to take it as a compliment," he answered. "It shows that I'm so happy myself I should like everyone else to be the same. Now, when do we know that would make Jake a bit wiser, really a nice one?"

"Jake doesn't want a wife," said Spicer quickly. "And anyway he would not want one to be chosen for him. Leave him alone, my dear—he's all right in his own way."

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Doris laughed, not very merrily.

"I ought to be," she said. "We shall be rich enough, if that counts for happiness at all."

But when they met again that afternoon there was no trace of the morning's agitation in Doris St. Claire's face. She was expansively dressed, and she showed her new ring with a great pride.

"It's a beauty, isn't it?" she asked eagerly. "Father says it must have cost a mint of money. I'm to have a bracelet with stones set in the same way, too."

Elsa admired the ring without the least envy. All the diamonds in the world could not have bought her. She would have married John Spicer if he had not had a shilling in his pocket, and if they had had to tramp the streets for a living.

URSULA MAKES A FRIEND.

VANNER, it appeared, had already presented his fiancée with several expensive gifts, and she was just showing them to Elsa when a maid came to the door.

"Please miss, could you see Miss Lorimer?"

"Of course. Ask her to come in, will you?" Doris turned to Spicer's wife. "You don't know Ursula, do you?" she asked. "She's Jake Lorimer's daughter, you know. He was a friend of your husband's. She's going to be a professional singer. I wonder if you'll like each other."

Elsa had heard a good deal from her husband of Ursula's father, and she looked at the girl with interest.

"How awfully pretty she is," was her first thought. Elsa never minded admiring her own sex.

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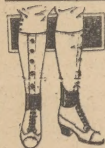
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QUEUES OF APPLICANTS.

To the ordinary traveller America and Canada are as remote and inaccessible as the Antarctic for at least the next six or eight weeks.

The shipping companies will tell you that they may be able to get you across the Atlantic at the end of April or the beginning of May. They cannot guarantee you a passage even then.

Yesterday *The Daily Mirror* made a tour of the London offices of the big Transatlantic shipping companies in an endeavour to purchase a ticket for America or Canada. A request to "go next week" was received with astonishment, if not scorn, by the agents. At all the offices there were queues of men and women—mostly Americans—on the same errand.

At the Cockspur-street offices of the White Star Line all the chairs were occupied by tired elderly women patiently waiting for the chance of a "return passage."

Many of these people have urgent family reasons for getting to America or Canada. On rare occasions somebody who has previously booked a passage cannot go, and they patiently wait most of the day for the first chance of getting that ticket.

"Look here," said two bustling Americans to an official, "we've got to get over to New York this month. We'll give you the passage money twice over if you can get us the tickets."

"The only way you can go is by hiring an aeroplane or a battle cruiser from the Government," returned the official.

An attempt was made a short time ago at this office to keep a "waiting list" of passengers who wanted tickets, but the list grew to such dimensions that the scheme had to be abandoned.

FIRST POSSIBLE SAILINGS.

Many American and Canadian Soldiers and Wives Now Returning Home.

The first sailings on some of the big Transatlantic lines, by which people may—if they're lucky—leave England for the United States and Canada, are as follow:—

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Canadian Pacific Ocean Services May 17 (Carmania)
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The Cunard Line have nine sailings to New York between March 15 and April 28, but all available berths have been taken.

"We shall be very glad when the war restrictions are over," a shipping official told *The Daily Mirror*.

"The shortage of accommodation is brought about by the large numbers of American and Canadian soldiers and their wives who are now returning home."

CHILD DROWNED WHILE PLAYING.

While playing with some companions George Sumpter, five, fell into the Kennet and was drowned.

Mr. Bilkie, warden of the county park, made a plucky attempt at rescue, but the current was too strong, and he was pulled out exhausted.

CHILD-MADE TOYS.

Boys' Carpenter' Doll's-houses and Fretwork Furniture.

SISTERS WEAVE CARPETS.

Toyshops are showing many materials for making toys, owing to the new fashion of children making their own nursery equipment.

"I have been hoping for this development for twenty years," a kindergarten authority told *The Daily Mirror*. "Children who make their own toys value them greatly, do not break them and gain a real educative value from the making."

"The new idea grew up when German toys were banned and the British industry not properly started."

"In most of the nurseries I know now the little boys 'carpenter' their sisters' doll's houses, and so take a real interest in them. They fretwork the furniture and animals, while the little girls weave their own basket, chairs, tables, birdcages and so on in basket work, upholster the furniture with odds and ends and weave carpets and make rag rugs."

"The day's food for the dolls' families is modelled in clay and painted in their own little studio. The artist child of the family paints the pictures on the wall, lacquers the furniture and designs the doll's-house garden."

"All these acts educate little minds and little hands."

MOTHERS' CRY FOR HELP.

Pathetic Plight of Brave Women in Stricken Bohemia.

Miss Masaryk, daughter of the President of the Czechoslovak Republic and chief organiser of the Red Cross in Bohemia, has sent a touching message to Great Britain for help for her famine-stricken country.

"Austria said if she must lose Bohemia she will lose it as a corpse," she writes. "They tried their best to rob us of everything, and they succeeded."

"There was never greater courage shown in the world's history than is shown by our mothers. They see their children die, but they hardly raise their voice, for they hate to beg and speak of their wounds."

Bohemia is in dire need of medical necessities (especially milk for hospitals)—food, blankets, clothing, soap and disinfectants.

Cheques should be sent to Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Samuel Hoare, M.P., C.M.G., Anglo-Czech Relief Fund, Messrs. Cox, 15, Charing Cross; or blankets, socks, comforters to Anglo-Czech Relief Fund, Harrods Stores Brompton-road, S.W.

"ITS DOWER IN ITS FACE."

What Is the Real Value of Beautiful Features?

There is a Danish proverb which says that beauty carries its own ruin in its face. It is undoubtedly true that to be endowed with beauty is to be the possessor of a wealth that cannot be measured in terms of money.

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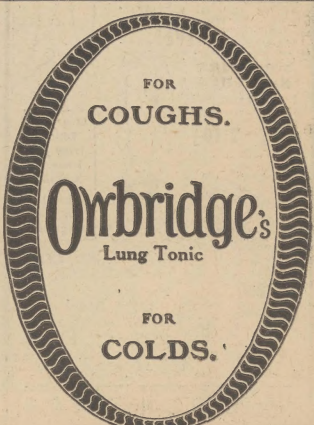
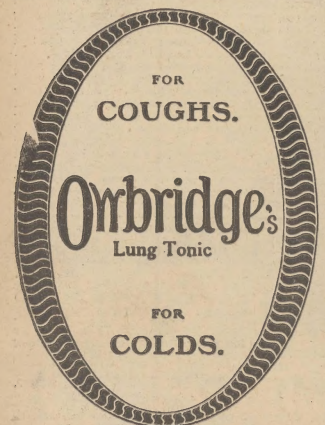
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FAVOURITES FARE WELL AT WARWICK RACES.

True Blue Hurdle Handicap Won by Walton Heath.

WONDERFUL WILD ASTER.

After racing at Warwick on Monday rain fell throughout the night and early morning. The course was in a wretched state, and it is not surprising that many owners declined to run horses.

An item of information that came early to hand was that Withington had altered his original intention of running Full Stop for the Leamington Chase. The state of the going may have influenced the decision; but probably the fact that J. Mason was not available to ride had something to do with it.

There was again a fine attendance, though it fell short of the first day's figures, when the men at the turnstiles could not take money fast enough and visitors were coming in after the decision of the second race.

Fields ruled out yesterday, but backers had a great day, favourites winning in almost every case.

SHACCOBAC WINS AGAIN.

A very quick commencement was made when the four runners were started for the Leamington Hurdle Race. Mr. Naughton, the new owner of Peterloo, had lost no time in giving the horse another chance in a "seller," the state of the ground being deemed in favour of the Haydock winner. The horse took the tip and laid odds on. In the hands of Mr. H.A. Brown these were comfortably landed, the favourite winning by six lengths from St. Yves.

Except that the allowance, Shaccobac earned no penalty for winning the Coventry Chase, and Warbine and Rosalere were the only two to oppose him. Bookmakers asked for 3.1, and, with both of his opponents falling, the favourite was the only one to finish.

R. Payne had sent Top Hole to the meeting, but at the last moment it was decided not to run him for the Leamington Chase, and the cut-out, Duke of Devon, was sent to the early morning tip for Eager Simon, but Turakina was made favourite and won by fifteen lengths from Eager Simon, the other runner, Dancing Wave, falling early in the race.

COMPENSATION FOR MR. STRINGER.

Considering the state of the ground, it was not deemed advisable to run the natty Herod's Auditor for the Leamington Chase, and although Rubenstein had not been seen on a racecourse since winning at Hawthorn Hill in March, 1917, Payne's horses have been doing so well of late that he was promoted to the position of favourite; with Simon the Lepper next in demand. Backers proved right again, as Rubenstein won easily by eight lengths.

The biggest field of the day—nine—turned out for the True Blue Hurdle Handicap, and backers declared in favour of Shining Mors, which had run respectably behind Pennant at Sandown. They had reckoned without Walton Heath, however, on which Mr. Stringer rode a good race, but the favourite, Shining Mors, with the favourite another two lengths off. The result makes old Wild Aster out a more remarkable horse than ever. This time Mr. Stringer did not dispute the wrong place.

Lucky and Stamford were the only two to oppose Galician in the Four-Year-Old Hurdle Race, and the last-named landed the long odds laid on easily by six lengths. BOUVIERE.

WARWICK RACING RETURNS.

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TO-DAY'S FOOTBALL.

Robey's Charity Match at Chelsea—Bulldog Cup-Ties—Rugby Games.

West London has a good choice of football matches to-day. At Chelsea the R.A.F. will once again play Mr. George Robey's XI. in aid of the R.A.F. sports fund. Very strong teams, however, will be present, and given fine weather a large crowd should be present.

The remaining third-round tie in the Bulldog Cup competition, between Welsh Guards and Grenadier Guards, will be decided at Ranelagh Club, Barnes. At Fulham the Scots Guards and R.A.S.C. (Kilmartin) play the first of the season's finale of the same competition.

The South Africans meet a United Hospitals' XV. at Richmond, and the first of the season's finale of the same competition, between the two teams, will be played at Abertillery, and Cambridge University hold a trial Rugby match.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY SPORTS.

At Watley, Essex, next Monday, which is St. Patrick's Day, the Irish Guards will hold a sports meeting, commencing at 1.45 p.m. Eighteen events will figure on the programme, two of which, the huge war and a mile relay race, will be open to the whole of the British Army.

GEORGE ROBEY, C.B.E.—The famous comedian, who was in uniform, leaving Buckingham Palace after being decorated yesterday.

AUSTRALIAN CRICKET.

Splendid Fixture List for Australian Forces Tour in Summer.

POSSIBLE STRONG SIDE.

It is now possible to give fuller details of the Australian Imperial Forces cricket tour in England during the coming summer. A big fixture list has been made and confirmed, matches with Gentlemen of England at Lord's on July 23 and the two following days, Public Schools XI. at Lord's on August 6 and 7, South of England at Hastings on September 1, 2 and 3, and Mr. Thornton's XI. at Scarborough during the festival week are included.

Surrey, Middlesex, Yorkshire, Nottinghamshire, Essex, Sussex, Warwickshire, Gloucestershire, Derbyshire, both Universities and Hampshire all have fixtures with the Australian side. The falling through of the original tour will thus be partially compensated for by this Australian Imperial Forces side dropping into the breach. We should see such good cricket, no doubt, but good many of Australia's best are still in the Army, and they will be available for the matches.

Major E. P. Barbour, Captain R. L. Park and Lieutenant E. J. Cameron have been appointed as a sub-committee to select a strong side to play in the first-class fixtures. The interests of cricketers in France and Belgium are in the hands of Lieutenant-Colonel H. J. Massie and Lieutenant-Colonel N. Marshall.

A great number of well-known first-class players will be available for the touring side, and other teams which will play school elevens and others. So that it can be seen the Australian Forces Sports Control Board are to do things on a big scale.

The counties which have arranged matches with them also have the knowledge that they will have no financial obligations. The cricket played by the Australian Sports Control teams will be on a purely amateur basis.

Any county whose match with the Australians proves a financial success will be given the opportunity of contributing to the fund for promoting sport for the Australian forces.

The Australians open the tour against Essex at Leyton on May 17 in a three-day match. London cricket lovers will thus have the first opportunity of judging their form.

There is no reason why the matches they engage in should not be successful, both from a financial and playing point of view. That how cricket should be able to judge better when we have seen them in the field.

BOXING CONTROVERSY.

Is It Right to "Bring Back" Retired Men Against Youngsters?

There can be little doubt that, busy as the boxing fraternity are at the moment, even brisken times are in store. International matches of considerable importance will be forthcoming during the next few months, and championship contests will have a volume of things too freely, and I fancy a word of protest is not out of season.

That being so, the question arises: Will promoters be wise in pursuing the policy of signing what may be classed as "beaten" or "retired" men? Such bouts as that between Driscoll and Palmer at Hoxton Baths on Monday undoubtedly serve a good purpose. Not only do they afford the modern young boxer an opportunity of learning something, but they sometimes demonstrate that men who have lived clean, can live long and well in places where they are on the shelf at the age of thirty-five or thereabouts.

Paul O'Keefe proved on Monday by Driscoll, of whom he could still take care of all the bantam-weights. But when he comes to match those who are light fresh youngsters, men aspiring to championship honours, the case is altered. There are not wanting signs that promoters are inclined to exploit this kind of thing too freely, and I fancy a word of protest is not out of season.

Old-timer v. old-timer, if they will. But the putting up of past champions to be made chopping blocks by younger and fresher men is calculated to bring the sport into disrepute. This is a matter that the Board of Control might well take into consideration.

FOOTBALLERS' REMUNERATION.

The council of the Football Association on January 27 decided that for the remainder of the season Leagues and clubs might make such temporary arrangements for the remuneration of players as might be desired, and now, in the special circumstances, the emergency committee announce that clubs are at liberty to continue payments to players who have been injured and to include the same in the expenses of matches.

GOLF CLUBS' TROUBLES.

Why Muirfield Is Not Ready for the Championship.

More overgrowths of grass and heather and broken—difficult as they are to remove—do not constitute by any means the most important problem confronting golf clubs in the restoration of their courses to something like pre-war condition.

In many places a much more serious proposition is the repairing of damage done by moles and the business of checking the plague of these little animals. I learn that the primary reason that little hope is entertained of getting the Muirfield course into satisfactory order for an amateur championship meeting this year is that moles have played havoc with it.

They have taken more or less complete control of the links, and thrown up their little heaps of mould everywhere. People visiting the course during the war have been pleased to adjourn to the neighbouring Gullane links at the other end of the village, where the three courses had remained in playable order.

The Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers, who have charge of the Muirfield green, have now secured the services of a mole-catcher. It will take him some time, however, to accomplish his task, and then the injury to the turf will have to be put right. The same trouble has been experienced on certain other courses. The luckiest country in this respect is Ireland. According to a greenskeeper who has conducted his profession in all parts of the United Kingdom, there are no moles in Ireland.

A MATTER FOR RECONSIDERATION.

While, however, Muirfield may not be available for this year's amateur championship, there is a rapidly rising volume of opinion that the event ought to be held. The majority of the twenty-five clubs controlling the tournament are against its revival till 1920; but there has been no meeting to discuss the matter, and no reasons have been given for the attitude which they adopt.

For some it is sufficient, apparently, that the course whose turn it is next to receive the championship is not likely to be in proper order. Others are understood to think that it will be impossible for the men who have been away fighting to get into form in time.

These players, so far as I have heard, are the keenest of all on the immediate resumption of the meeting, and it is rather a shame after what they have done that anybody should adopt the attitude that they ought to be protected against their own enthusiasm.

A third ground for postponing the championship till 1920 is that efficient catering will be impossible this year. I have not the slightest doubt that any of the big catering contractors would undertake the task of feeding the players and spectators at an amateur club match next September, and would succeed in the effort.

It might be desirable to choose a course where huge crowds do not usually assemble the feeding of the many thousands who attend big events at St. Andrews and Prestwick would present problems, but Sandwich or Westward Ho! in its splendid isolation from any populous centre would not be over-run by thousands of lookers. At any rate, it is an even chance that the delegates will have to reconsider their decision.

ORDERING OUT THE GUARD.

One of the players which is being considered by the Rugby Triangle Amateur Sports Federation in connection with games for men who use the Y.M.C.A. huts is a scheme for laying out short-hole golf courses.

Among those who approve heartily of the idea is Captain Cecil K. Hutchinson, one of the leading British amateurs, who says that he and his fellow-prisoners at Clausen, in Germany, derived very good fun indeed from a six holes course which they laid out on a piece of ground sixty yards long and fifty yards wide. It demanded pitches and putts.

They had many exciting tournaments. In the final of one of these events the match went to the last hole, where the player who had the honour laid his ball a few inches from the pin—a most unusual thing, because the slopes were tricky. His opponent went one better—he holed it.

The whole camp was following the match, and such a roar went up that the commandant, thinking that his prisoners had suddenly rebelled, ordered out an entire guard to quell the insurrection. It took a long while to convince him that all the noise was about a golf match.

R. E. HOWARD.

WINNING AIR WAR.

Behind-the-Line Triumphs of Britain's Invincible R.A.F.

WONDERS OF THE BATTLEFIELD.

One of the biggest wonders of the war—this is the only adequate description which can be given to the activities of the R.A.F. in France early last November.

Some interesting R.A.F. facts and figures, just published, show that, at the conclusion of hostilities, there were three aircraft supply depots in France. Every aeroplane arriving in France passed through No. 1 A.S.D. at Marquise.

Working in connection with these A.S.D. were several salvage sections. These also were situated close up to the squadrons and were responsible for collecting damaged machines.

Originally machines as well as spares had been supplied by the aircraft depots, but the rapid growth of the R.A.F. in France rendered it necessary to create separate units for the purpose.

Every part of every type of machine in use had to be stocked—guns, bomb racks, sights, etc., wireless and photographic apparatus, all spares for transport, propellers of every type, engine parts, and so on, had to be instantly available for the needs of the squadrons.

Complete engines as well as spares were issued by the aircraft depots, and to keep them overhauled and in repair another large establishment was required—the engine repair shop employing a staff of nearly 5,000.

THE STOCK EXCHANGE.

Channel Tunnel Influence—Big Oil Deal Reported.

FROM OUR CITY EDITOR.

The City, Tuesday. Markets were less interesting than yesterday. War Loan was very firm, 95 15-16 bid, Consols 59 1/2. French loans strong; 5 per cents, 86 1/2, new 4 per cents, 68 1/2. Chathams and South-Eastern strong in Home Rails on Channel Tunnel developments. Channel Tunnel Company's shares, 1s. up, 3s.

In Kafirs, Chartered improved smartly to 22s. 3d. Central Minings harder 8 1/2, Falcons 13s. 9d. Geddis continued dull, 2 1/2 sellers. Keffis again strong, 12s. 6d., in tins.

In Industrials, Marconi maintained their rise at 42 with Canadians 15s. 6d., Lyons better 5 1/2, Van den Burg 3 1/2, Behegs 2 1/2, but Mayrlo's dull 2 1/2. Magadis easier 25s. 9d. Iron, Steel and Coal shares all weakish. In Motors Rolls-Royce offered 2.3.16. Cassells (publishers) good 5.

Oil developed decided strength toward the close under lead of Anglo-Egyptian 4.32 bid. Shells advanced smartly to 7.15-16 bid. Market rumour is that latter company has acquired large line of Mexican Eagles from Lord Cowdray at 28, thus securing control, and will make new issue of its own shares at 25 to finance the deal.

Rubbers were hardening market at the close. Anglo-Dutch 2s. 10d., Linols 27s. 6d., Highlands 5s. 9d., Sialmas 45-16.

NEWS ITEMS.

The Thames floods show no inclination to lower.

The Welsh Guards will arrive in London at 5 p.m. to-day.

French newspapers are allowed to be sold at pre-war prices.

Two American sailors have escaped from Swansea police cells.

Weather Forecast: General outlook, unsettled weather likely to continue.

Falling down a shaft in an Aberdare mine of 280ft. deep, Thomas Thomas was killed.

One hundred prisoners of war in Germany have been found by motor-ambulance parties.

Damage of £15,000 was caused by a fire at the Carder Looms Company's premises in Glasgow yesterday.

Christmas Pudding Stealers.—Charged with stealing a cashbox with 100 three-penny pieces at Chatham yesterday, the accused said they came from Christmas puddings.

FOOTBALL LEAGUE RESOLUTIONS.

In view of the resolution passed on Monday by the Football League, advocating the extension of the season, it must be remembered that such a change must be approved at a general meeting of the Football Association. The date of the annual general meeting of the Football Association is Monday, June 2.

The international selection committee will meet at Manchester on Monday, April 14.

THE WORLD OF SPORT.

London Football Combination.—The management committee of the L.F.C. met at Winchester last Friday evening.

Dundee Manager.—Alex. McFarlane, who was coach to Chelsea in 1914, has been appointed manager of Dundee Football Club.

Aid for Schools Football.—The Football Association is to hold the first of a series of meetings for the purpose of fostering school football in Gloucestershire.

J. T. Hearn for Oxford.—The popular England and Scotland cricket captain, J. T. Hearn, has accepted the post of local cricket coach at Oxford University.

Thames Rowing Club.—The new captain of the Thames Rowing Club is the Hon. Captain T. Store Farbar. A boxing entertainment is being arranged for April 5.

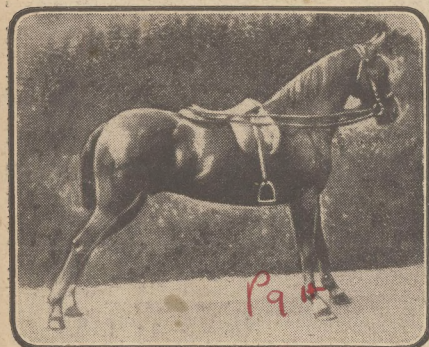
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THE STORY OF CHATHAM.



Mrs. E. Hatheway Turnbull, the horse's friend.



Chatham, aged eight. He is a chestnut.

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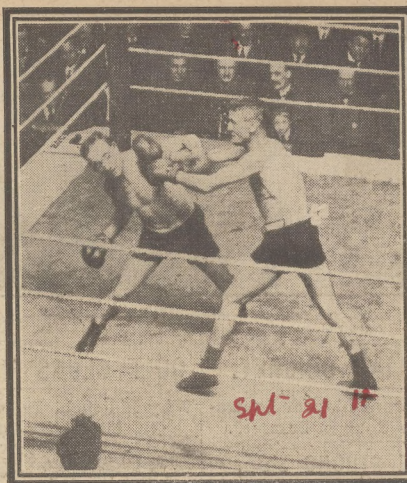
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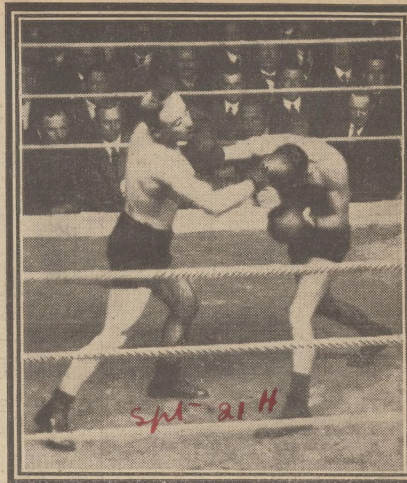
Chatham's long list of war honours.

Chatham, formerly a general's charger, is to be given to Mrs. E. Hatheway Turnbull, on the authority of the Minister of Canada's Overseas Military Forces, and the old war horse will enjoy a peaceful life, with a mistress who will love him. The gift is in recognition of the splendid work for the horses at the front and the Blue Cross, and her lecture on the part animals have played in the great war is well-known.—(Exclusive.)

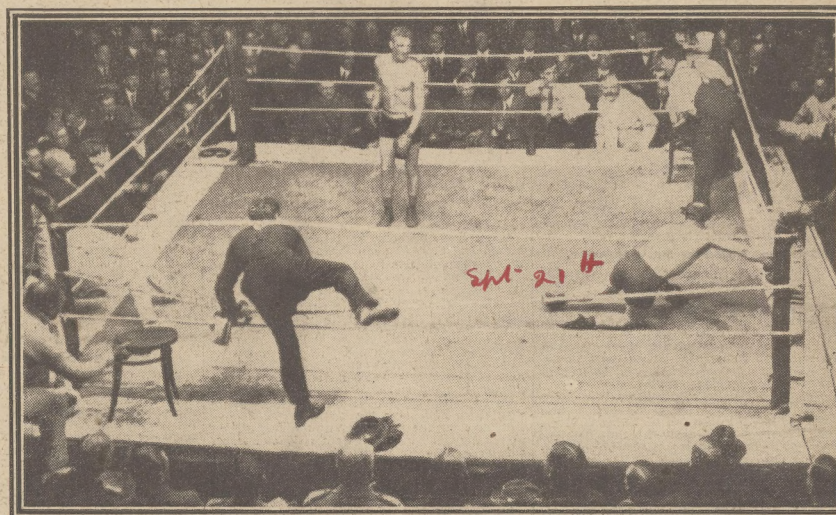
DRISCOLL WINS EASILY: REFEREE STOPS FIGHT.



Driscoll (on the right) pressing his opponent.



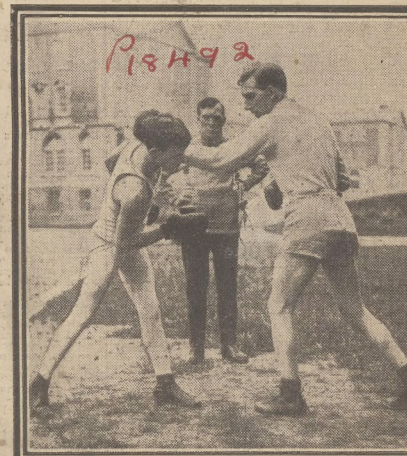
Driscoll brings left across and practically settles the fight.



Referee stops contest, with Palmer crawling to the ropes. He was down three times in the third round. When Jim Driscoll and Pedlar Palmer met at the Hoxton Baths, the former won easily, the referee stopping the contest in the fourth round. Palmer had not fought since 1906.—(Daily Mirror exclusive photographs.)



Mrs. Wilde accompanies her husband.



Sparring with a young partner.

FLY-WEIGHT CHAMPION IN TRAINING.—Jimmy Wilde, who will meet Joo Lynch, the bantam-weight champion of the world, in a fifteen-rounds contest at the National Sporting Club on the 31st of this month, is now in training for the contest. Mrs. Wilde takes the greatest interest in her husband's training.—(Exclusive.)